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PATENT APPLICATION

5     Entitled :   AN INJECTOR FOR A FLEXIBLE IMPLANT

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

15         The invention relates to a folder module for folding  
a flexible intraocular implant for injection into the eye  
of a patient. The module comprises two jaws that are  
movable relative to each other, each jaw having a folder  
wall constituted by a portion of a cylindrical surface,  
20     and a plane wall secured to the folder wall, the two  
plane walls lying in parallel planes;

- a pivot axis orthogonal to the plane walls to  
control relative pivoting movement of one jaw relative to  
the other;

25         - one of the jaws being capable of occupying  
relative to the other a first position in which said  
plane walls are offset relative to each other;

- a second position in which the plane walls face  
each other so as to define an implant confinement volume;

30     and

- a third position in which the folder walls meet  
each other to define a folder chamber enabling the  
implant to be finally folded.